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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Robert Charatan

Appln. No.: 10/813,294

Filed: March 30, 2004

For: POLISHING PAD CONDITIONING  
SYSTEM

Attorney Docket No: 7103/410 (P1238)

Examiner: Not Known

Art Unit: 3723

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**Attached is/are:**

- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449  
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 Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.  
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Respectfully submitted,

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

The references now cited are the following:

No.	Date	Name
US 5,857,899	January 12, 1999	Volodarsky et al.
US 5,913,714	June 22, 1999	Volodarsky et al.
US 6,086,460	July 11, 2000	Labunsky et al.
US 6,306,019 B1	October 23, 2001	Finkelman
US 6,328,637 B1	December 11, 2001	Labunsky et al.
US 6,336,845 B1	January 8, 2002	Engdahl et al.
US 6,361,414 B1	March 26, 2002	Ravkin et al.
US 6,554,688 B2	April 29, 2003	Lacy

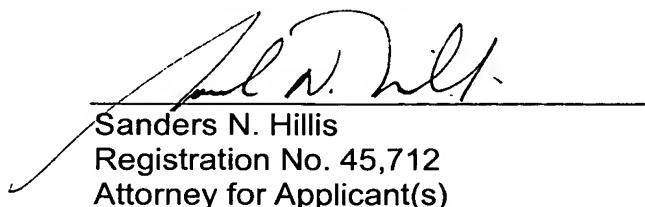
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US 6,626,743 B1	September 30, 2003	Boyd
US 6,645,046 B1	November 11, 2003	Vogtmann et al.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these material, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,



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**REFERENCE DESIGNATION**      **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER <small>Number-Kind Code (if known)</small>	DATE	NAME	CLASS/ SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
A1	5,857,899	01/12/1999	Volodarsky et al.	451/72	04/04/1997
A2	5,913,714	06/22/1999	Volodarsky et al.	451/41	09/15/1998
A3	6,086,460	07/11/2000	Labunsky et al.	451/56	11/09/1998
A4	6,306,019 B1	10/23/2001	Finkelman	451/56	12/30/1999
A5	6,328,637 B1	12/11/2001	Labunsky et al.	451/56	07/10/2000
A6	6,336,845 B1	01/08/2002	Engdahl et al.	451/41	11/12/1997
A7	6,361,414 B1	03/26/2002	Ravkin et al.	451/56	06/30/2000
A8	6,554,688 B2	04/29/2003	Lacy	451/56	01/04/2001
A9	6,626,743 B1	09/30/2003	Boyd	451/56	03/31/2000
A10	6,645,046 B1	11/11/2003	Vogtmann et al.	451/8	06/30/2000
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